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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5913-N-09]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Applications for Housing Assistance

Payments; Special Claims Processing

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner,

HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment.

DATES: Comments Due Date: [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER.]

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410-5000; telephone 202-402-3400 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at Colette.Pollard@hud.gov for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information. Persons with hearing or speech impairments

may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lanier M. Hylton, Housing Program Manager, Office of Program Systems Management, Office of Multifamily Housing Programs, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 402-2510 (this is not a toll free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available information. This is not a toll-free number. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in Section A.

## A. Overview of Information Collection

<u>Title of Information Collection</u>: Applications for Housing Assistance Payments; Special Claims Processing.

**OMB Approval Number:** 2502-0182.

**Type of Request**: Revision or extension of currently approved collection.

Form Number(s): HUD 52670-A part 5, HUD-52671-C, HUD 52671-A, HUD-52671-D, 52670-A-PART-1, HUD 52671-B, HUD-52670, HUD 52670-A-part 3, HUD-52670-A part 4, HUD 52670-A Part 2

<u>Description of the need for the information and proposed use</u>: HUD's Office of Multifamily Housing Programs needs to collect this information in order to establish an applicant's eligibility for admittance to subsidized housing, specify which eligible applicants

may be given priority over others, and prohibit racial discrimination in conjunction with selection of tenants and unit assignments.

HUD must specify tenant eligibility requirements as well as how tenants' incomes, rents and assistance must be verified and computed so as to prevent HUD from making improper payments to owners on behalf of assisted tenants. These information collections are essential to ensure the reduction of improper payments standard in providing \$9.5 billion in rental assistance to low-income families in HUD Multifamily properties.

- a. These collections are authorized by the following statutes:
- Section 8 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.).
- Rent Supplement (12 U.S.C. 1701s).
- Rental Assistance Payments (12 U.S.C. 1715z-1).
- Section 236 (12 U.S.C. 1172z-1).
- Section 221(d) (3) Below Market Interest Rate (12 U.S.C. 17151).
- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
- Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended (Section 808).
- Executive Order 11063, Equal Opportunity in Housing
- Social Security Numbers (42 U.S.C. 3543).
- Section 562 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987.
- Section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959, as amended.
- Section 811 of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1980.
- Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988 (102 Statute 2507).
- Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), Records Maintained on Individuals

- Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (QHWRA)
- Section 658 of Title VI of Subtitle D of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992.
- Executive Order 13520 of November 20, 2009, The Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act (IPERA)
- Executive Order 13515 of October 14, 2009, Increasing Participation of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in Federal Programs
- b. These collections are covered by the following regulations:
- Section 8: 24 CFR part 5, 24 CFR 880, 24 CFR 884, 24 CFR 886, 24 CFR 891 Subpart

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- Section 236 and Rental Assistance Payments: 24 CFR 236.
- Section 221(d) (3): 24 CFR 221.
- Racial, Sex, Ethnic Data: 24 CFR 121.
- Nondiscrimination and Equal Opportunity in Housing: 24 CFR 107.
- Nondiscrimination in Federal Programs: 24 CFR 1.
- Social Security Numbers: 24 CFR part 5.
- Procedures for Obtaining Wage and Claim Information Agencies: 24 CFR part 760.
- Implementation of the Privacy Act of 1974: 24 CFR part 16.
- Mandated use of HUD's Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) System: 24 CFR 5.233

## **Respondents** (i.e. affected public):

- Performance Based Contract Administrators
- Contract Administrators
- Owners and Property Management Agents
- State Housing Finance Agencies
- Public Housing Authorities (PHA)
- The Government Accountability Office
- U. S. Census Bureau
- Office of Management and Budget (OMB)
- Congress/Public Requests (Under FOIA)

**Estimated Number of Respondents**: 25,843.

Estimated Number of Responses: 322,116.

**Frequency of Response**: 12 per annum.

**Average Hours per Response**: 1.33.

**Total Estimated Burden**: 372,497.

## **B. Solicitation of Public Comment**

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

(1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

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(2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of

information;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to

respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms

of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

C. Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.

**Date:** April 21, 2016.

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Associate Deputy Federal Housing Commissioner.

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